

# Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry Mike Strain DVM

COMMISSIONER



ADVISORY COMMISSION ON PESTICIDES
March 26, 2008
9:30 a.m.
Veterans Memorial Auditorium
5825 Florida Boulevard
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Minutes

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Soil & Water Conservation P.O. Box 3554 Baton Rouge, LA 70821 (225) 922-1269 Fax: 922-2577 Mr. Montgomery swore in the commission members. The commission members sworn in are: Doug Duty, Dr. Grady Coburn Wayne Ducote, Billy Guthrie, Wayne Kent, Dwayne O'Brien, Mike Robichaux, Dr. Gary Ross, Elbridge R. "Smitty" Smith and Mike Vasko.

# **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Duty.

# **ROLL CALL**

Members present: Doug Duty, Grady Coburn Wayne Ducote, Billy Guthrie, Wayne Kent, Dwayne O'Brien, Mike Robichaux, Dr. Gary Ross, Elbridge R. "Smitty" Smith and Mike Vasko.

Others present: Commissioner Mike Strain, Todd Parker, LDAF, Larry LeJeune, LDAF, David Fields, LDAF, Bobby Simoneaux, LDAF, Tyrone Dudley, LDAF, Marvin Montgomery, General Counsel LDAF, Mary Anderson, LDAF, Fran McVea and Linsey Hunter, Assistant Attorney General.

## AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Election of officers:

Mr. Guthrie nominated Doug Duty as the Chairman of the Commission.

**Motion**: Mr. Vasko made a motion to close the nominations. This motion was seconded by Mr. Robichaux and passed unanimously.

A vote was taken and Mr. Duty was elected as Chairman of the Commission by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Smith nominated Dr. Coburn as the Vice-Chairman of the Commission.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Mr. O'Brien to close the nominations. This motion was seconded by Mr. Vasko and passed unanimously.

A vote was taken and Dr. Coburn was elected as the Vice-Chairman of the Commission by a unanimous vote.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Dr. Coburn to discontinue the per diem paid to Commission members. This motion was seconded by Mr. Kent and passed unanimously.

# **APPROVAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS**

Dr. Coburn pointed to an error on the date of the second page header.

Motion: Dr. Coburn made a motion to approve the proceedings with corrections. This motion was seconded by Mr. Robichaux and passed unanimously.

## **CITIZEN INPUT**

None

# **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Mr. LeJeune recognized Commissioner Strain who welcomed the members and gave brief comments to the commission.

Mr. LeJeune welcomed returning and new members to the commission and introduced the staff members present. Mr. LeJeune gave a brief update on activities of the staff. The staff will give a detailed update of their individual programs over the next few meetings.

Mr. LeJeune announced that EPA Region 6 has a new Section Supervisor, Wes McQuiddy.

Dr. Ross requested a list of the commission members and staff. Mr. Fields said that these lists would be mailed to the commission members.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Committee Appointments** 

Mr. Fields said that the staff recommends appointing Dr. Coburn as Chairman, Billy Guthrie, Mike Robichaux Bobby Simoneaux, Marty Pousson and Dr. Mary Grodner to the Ad Hoc Agricultural Consultants Committee.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Dr. Coburn to accept the staff recommendations to the Ad Hoc Agricultural Consultants Committee. This motion was seconded by Mr. Vasko and passed unanimously.

## AGRIGULTURAL CONSULTANT COMMITTEE REPORT

Dr. Coburn reported that there were 3 applicants, Jesse A. Breaux, Jr., Jonathon H. Fife and Albert A. Broussard, Jr. The committee recommended approval for Mr. Breaux and Mr. Fife. Mr. Broussard approval was recommended with the contingency that he submit a transcript with required credits.

**Motion:** Mr. Robichaux made a motion to accept the committee's report. This motion was seconded by Mr. Kent and passed unanimously.

## **ADJUDICATORY**

Chairman Duty turned the hearing over to Assistant Attorney General Linsey Hunter.

Mr. Montgomery presented the cases.

Casey Novak, Case No. 1158

124 Pecanwood Drive Natchez, MS 39120

Mr. Novak stipulated to 1 violation of LRS 3:3252 A2 and agreed to a fine of \$500.

Mr. Fields read the stipulation.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Dr. Coburn to accept the stipulation as presented. This motion was seconded by Dr. Ross and passed unanimously.

Clarence Gaynor Richard, Case No. 1175 2240 Hains Road Rayne, LA 70548 Mr. Richard stipulated to 1 violation of LRS 3:3252 A2 and agreed to a fine of \$1000.

Mr. Fields read the stipulation.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Mr. Robichaux to accept the stipulation as presented. This motion was seconded by Mr. Vasko and passed unanimously.

Bradley Harrington, Case No. 1177

10613 Farmer Road

Kaplan, LA 70548

Mr. Harrington stipulated to 1 violation LRS 3:3252 A2 and agreed to a fine of \$500.

Mr. Fields read the stipulation.

**Motion:** Mr. Ducote made a motion to accept the stipulation as presented. This motion was seconded by Mr. Smith and passed unanimously.

Richard Boutwell, Case No. 1178

1054 Chickssaw Loop

Oak Grove, LA 71263

Mr. Boutwell stipulated to 1 violation of LRS 3:3252 A2 and agreed to a fine of \$1000.

Mr. Fields read the stipulation.

**Motion:** Mr. Duty made a motion to accept the stipulation as presented. This motion was seconded by Mr. Kent and passed unanimously.

Ms. Hunter turned the meeting back over to Mr. Duty at 10:44 a.m.

# **CITIZEN INPUT**

None

# OTHER BUSINESS

None

## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

Mr. LeJeune said the next Advisory Commission on Pesticides meeting will be held on July 9, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. in the Veterans Memorial Auditorium.

# **ADJOURN**

**Motion:** Mr. Vasko made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Coburn seconded this motion and it passed unanimously.